

Role of liaison officers in implementing of rosters

2142. SHRI R.N. ARYA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Liaison Officer or National Commission for SOST has the ultimate authority to see whether the roster is being implemented;

(b) whether Liaison Officer/National Commission for SOST are responsible have their recommendations been implemented;

(c) whether a stay order had been obtained against the National Commission for SC/ST from court during the investigation of roster in Hindu College of Delhi University; and

(d) if so, whether the powers of National Commission for SOST have been abrogated or overlooked and the reaction of Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL AND TRAINING AND DEPARTMENT OF PENSION AND PENSIONERS' WELFARE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE): (a) and (b) Article 338 of the Constitution provides that the National Commission for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes is empowered to investigate and monitor all matters relating to the safeguards provided for the SCs and STs and report to the President on working of the safeguards. The Commission is also authorised to conduct special study of rosters maintained in various offices. Every Ministry also has a Liaison Officer of the rank of Deputy Secretary to oversee the implementation of reservation orders and to bring to the notice of the Secretary of the Administrative Ministry lapses in implementation of the orders. Corrective action in cases of negligence or lapses in the maintenance of rosters is required to be taken by the concerned appointing authorities.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) As the matter is *subjudice*, the Government has no comments.